COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF AMERICAN)	
NATURAL GAS CORP. TO ADJUST)	CASE NO. 2001-369
CERTAIN NON-RECURRING CHARGES)	

ORDER

On November 1, 2001, American Natural Gas Corp. ("American Natural") tendered for filing an application to adjust its fees for returned checks, collection charges, and reconnection charges. The application contained deficiencies and was rejected for filing, pursuant to Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:001, Section 2(2) by letter dated November 13, 2001. American Natural subsequently cured the filing deficiencies on November 27, 2001 and was notified that its application was accepted for filing as of November 27, 2001.

Pursuant to KRS 278.180(1), no change can be made in any rate by a utility except upon 30 days notice to the Commission. Therefore, the earliest date on which American Natural's proposed rates could lawfully become effective is December 27, 2001. Based on a review of American Natural's application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed charges and that investigation cannot be concluded by December 27, 2001.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The proposed rates are hereby suspended for 5 months from December 27, 2001, up to and including May 26, 2002.

2. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering a final decision in this case prior to the termination of the suspension period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of December, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director